

**Abstract of the Disclosure**

**Improved Method of Changing Very Large Tires**

A method of changing or placing a tread belt 512b onto a two piece tire carcass 514 is described. The method involves jacking the vehicle 600 up so the wheel clears the ground deflating the carcass 514 and pulling a vacuum to partially collapse the carcass 514, placing the tread belt 512b about half way onto the carcass 514 to support the tread belt weight lifting or pushing the tread belt 512b the remainder of the way onto the carcass 514 and inflating the carcass 514.